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Health center cuts ties with Rohlf Clinic

By NATHAN COUNTRYMAN News Editor

Starting at the end of the 2004-2005 academic year, Wartburg's health center will cut formal ties with Waverly's Rohlf Clinic in a move to try and help more students.

Dr. Lex Smith, dean of students and vice president of student life, said the student life committee discussed the plan and

gathered a campus perspective earlier this year. The presidential cabinet made the official decision in April.

"The changing nature of health care and insurance was a major contributing factor in our decision," Smith said. "As part of the pre-paid arrangement we had with the Rohlf Clinic, fewer charges were being billed to students for things the doctors would do. More and more, however, services that originally were

performed at the clinic have been sent to specialists, and students have been billed more."

Next year instead of just sending students to Rohlf Clinic from the health center, the health center will refer students to doctors and allow them to make more of their own choices on health care. This will require students to rely on their own or family health insurance to cover health expens-

"From a cost-benefit analysis,

a majority of students aren't using the local health facilities," Smith said. "We couldn't see paying for something only a small percentage of students are using."

Smith said a study group will be formed to look into student health insurance for next fall. Wartburg requires students to have health insurance while attending Wartburg, but it hasn't been enforced. Twelve percent of students currently have no health insurance. The study group will

look into student health care

Also, the health center hopes to start doing some screenings for common student ailments at the health center, including those for mono and strep throat, instead of sending those to a small lab or hospital clinic. Results would still need to be sent to a specialist to review, but students would not have to leave campus.

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Wartburg hosts Track and **Field Championships**

By MATT POPOWSKI Staff Writer

Wartburg will be host the 2005 NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Walston-Hoover stadium May 26-28. About 688 athletes will compete.

"In the eleven years at Wartburg and nine years as head coach watching my athletes compete in national meets, it's like a dream come true,"Marcus Newsom, Wartburg track and field coach, said.

With about 70 track officials, mostly from Iowa, and nearly 200 volunteers helping with ticket sales, concessions, field events, hurdles, drug couriering, hospitality and marshalling, the national meet is a lot of work. Volunteers are mostly Wartburg's track and field team members, community members, alumni and parents of current Wartburg stu-

"The assistant meet directors Ann Arns and Jim Conlon, and John Wuertz (physical plant director) have been so good with helping out," Monica Severson, associate athletic director and meet director, said.

Wartburg placed a bid for the meet with the NCAA Track and Field committee in spring 2003. Wartburg's facilities, which include Walston-Hoover stadium and track, were completed in 2001, and the Wartburg athletic department's experience with national meets appealed to the committee. The bid was approved in fall 2003 by the NCAA Championships committee, and the planning began soon

Numerous preparations involve promotions, security, repainting the track, arranging a banquet for 1,100 people, organizing awards, mementos and race packets for athletes and purchasing clothing for volunteers and officials.

"If it weren't for Coach Severson, it (the meet) wouldn't be possible," Newsom said. He also credits Wartburg alumni for their contributions to the Wartburg track and field team and the

"We want the meet to run smoothly so student athletes from around the country have a positive experience at Wartburg College," Severson said. "Now we just need good weather."

For more information, visit http://www.NCAAsports.com or for tickets, call 319-352-8404.

For additional coverage on the Track and Field Championships at Wartburg, turn to page 10.

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Nathan Countryman/TRUMPET

WINTER COMEBACK — Junior Emily Kleiss, seniors Jeff Just, Patrick Toohey, Wes Terrill and junior Nicole Neuendorf bundle up for a walk during May Term. This week brought back a winter chill to campus, with temperatures dropping back to the 50s with winds, that made it more common to see long sleeved clothing opposed to warmer-weather clothing typical for May Term.

New computer virus strikes campus, causes mayhem for several PC owners

By TINA HINZ Staff Writer

A computer virus is making its way across campus with an infected e-mail attachment sent to Wartburg

Information Technology Services (ITS) got notice Monday from students who had received an "officiallooking" e-mail from ITS claiming their e-mail account was being suspended, Gary Wipperman, director of ITS, said. The virus-infected e-mail appeared to have been sent from valid Wartburg e-mail addresses.

Wipperman e-mailed all students Thursday alerting anyone who receives the e-mail not to open its attachments and delete the message immediately.

The apparently new virus snuck in before antivirus companies had distributed updated virus protection specifically for this virus. ITS received these updates

"We must have been one of the first areas hit," Wipperman said. "It only takes a handful (of infected emails opened) to cause severe impact on the Internet."

This virus is a variation of the existing Mydoom virus. Symptoms of the virus were reported on campus Sunday with slowed Internet connections.

"During May Term a lot fewer people are on campus, so that was an alert right there," Wipperman said. "At the time, it (symptoms) was really isolated stuff and not enough to pull anything together."

Once the infected attachment is open, the e-mail automatically sends itself to as many different computers as it

"On a PC (computer model), opening the e-mail usually is okay," Wipperman said. "If you open the attachments, it's too late and you can't undo it without cleaning

He added this problem typically does not occur with Macintosh computers.

"If they're (computer virus writers) going to cause trouble, they cause it for the biggest group," Wipperman said. "Most pick on Windows because that's where you get the most bang for your buck."

Faculty and staff computers have been scanned for viruses and are equipped with up-to-date Norton AntiVirus software, also available for students. Webmail

includes layers of protection including scanning incoming e-mails to detect potential spam. Wipperman recommends updating antivirus software on a computer at least every

A new commercial version of anti-spyware software with regular updates will be available to students in the

Wipperman said if the virus is not eliminated soon from Resnet, Wartburg's residential hall network and Internet service, a last resort includes requiring students to re-register computers and run a fix tool. The goal is to get the virus to a certain level so it's not spreading and adversely affecting campus Internet and mail server traffic, Wipperman said.

On-campus computers still may get the infected e-mail from on- and off-campus machines with the virus.

Anyone who suspects his/her computer is infected by the virus should visit http://www.wartburg.edu/its to download and run a fix tool for MyDoom.BO. ITS also will scan computers free of charge to eliminate existing viruses. For more information call ITS at Ext. 8767.

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By COREY HELLAND Columnist

My father has warned me of this point in my life ever since I first stepped onto the Wartburg campus. He always said that I would have the

hardest time saying goodbye to the graduates at the end of my junior year, for I will have been around that year's graduating class longer than any other group.

These students are the ones who gave me a tour around campus. They were my RAs and orientation

leaders. They ushered me onto campus and taught me how to "Be Orange." I, along with my fellow juniors, have watched these students become the leaders of men and women.

They are the presidents of the bands and

choirs. They've led our sports teams to countless conference championships. They're the student senate leaders, the Mr. Wartburgs, the editors of the literary publications and the student man-

The seniors in each respective major have already taken the needed courses. They can tell you which professors you'll love and which professors you'll hate. They know which classes will absolutely tear you to pieces, but you'll be better for it in the end. They know how much to study, what to study and when not to study.

This year's graduates have been used by the system. They are well-versed in Wartburg's administrative rituals and know all the loopholes. They've unlocked deep, dark secrets, and know where to find more. They've uncovered the hiding places and seen things that they probably shouldn't have seen.

They're the average Johns and Janes, as well. They're roommates. They're classmates. They're those kids in the back of the room who are always asleep because they're seniors in a 100level course. You recognize them in the Mensa or at the bar, and you always want to say "hi" but never do.

Well, do so today. They're going to be gone forever in two weeks and Wartburg College will never be the same. Go find some seniors and give them a pat on the back. Say thanks. They've done our college well.

The first-years-- and maybe even some of the second-years-- probably could care less about this year's graduating class. I can count on one hand the number of seniors I knew during my first year, so I don't blame them. But even if you know only one, stop that one senior and talk for a bit. Chances are, there'll be a story or two that will change the way you look at the world, much less Wartburg College.

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Homeless seek justice, not charity

By KRISTIN NELSON Columnist

Nearly every day here in Denver, I see homeless people

standing on a street corner or at the bus stop by my apartment. Often they are panhandling, hoping a passerby will offer some change. When I



see people who are homeless, I often think, "these people don't need charity; they need justice."

such whether they are "chronically" or just temporarily homeless, do need charity to make it through the day. Strangers donate a dollar or two, and numerous Denver organizations provide meals or a place to stay on a snowy Colorado night.

Charity is only a temporary solution, however, when one realizes the underlying and complex circumstances that lead to homelessness. People who are homeless need justice in a world that is anything but just to the oppressed and

I began to understand the

persons, nuances between charity and justice when I traveled to Honduras two years ago during May Term. As my classmates and I helped the people of El Porvenir rebuild their meager homes, which had been destroyed by Hurricane Mitch, I was overwhelmed by the world's economic disparity as I compared the average American lifestyle to the simple lives of the Hondurans.

I wanted to help my fellow brothers and sisters, but I knew that donating two weeks of "charity" was not enough. I still struggle on nearly a daily basis with what I learned in Honduras and wonder

what I ought to be doing now about social injustices. Perhaps some of my readers who have recently returned from service trips over Winter Break are struggling with these questions as well.

Charles Dickens, a prolific writer of social injustice issues, wrote in "A December Vision" that too often we reply to problems such as these, "It is a great wrong but it will last my time!" Are we going to let oppression and disparity last our time, or will we keep fighting to seek justice in a very unjust world?

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Diversity definition needs clarification

By JON PALMQUIST Columnist

Commonly heard on campus, or in society as a whole, is a striving for diversity. Here on campus we have diversity studies, a diversity liaison and diversity events. All of these seek to raise awareness of diversity among students. Many times I find myself wondering just what exactly all this diversity stuff is. I don't understand how a campus can "have diversity." In

terms of diversity I feel as a white man that I am under the scope of political correctness. If I don't speak correctly then I might be viewed as racist and bigoted. Diversity always seems to be a touchy

I have always understood the word diversity as the

amount of difference that exists between all of us. The differences that exist between people are what make the world an interesting place. Diversity is a great thing; life would be boring without it. The very fact that people listen to different music, play different sports, and study

different things are signs of the differences that exist between people. Even between next--door neighbors who went to school, church and everything else together there is great difference. Best friends can vary on political views, religious views, music taste, etc. These types of relationships encompass what I understand the word diversity to mean.

Somewhere along the line, diversity developed a far more intense and sensitive definition. This definition is one that divides people and sometimes sounds as if the goal of diversity is the monumental battle of our generation to achieve. Understanding diversity is not really as difficult as it sounds. Diversity, being the difference that exists between all people, is something that each of us must deal with every day. The example of best friends illustrates what people must do to deal with others' differences. In a friendship the differences are put aside so that similarities may be shared.

Many people experience difficulties in addressing diversity because it seems as if it is something that is touchy and distant. Most think that diversity refers to people from exotic places but the truth is, people from afar are really only a part of diversity. If diversity is to be truly understood then people must also learn to appreciate the diversity that exists around them. Every person that one would meet right here in America is diverse and has his or her own view to offer. It is important though to make sure that views from other places are heard as well, thus we can appreciate the value of people of different nationality and heritage.

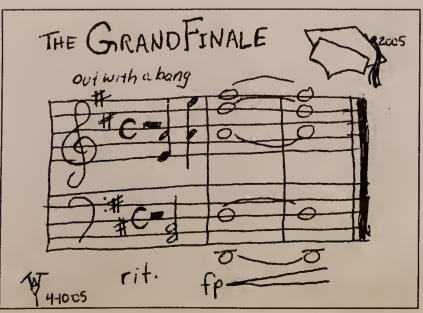
Despite the value for all this, people most easily relate to the people to whom they are the most similar. This fact becomes the wall that keeps people from reaching an understanding of what other people have to say. People often think that their differences and others' differences should keep them apart. The line of thought follows like this: "They don't want to talk to me; I am (fill in the blank with some difference)." Continually thinking in terms of difference keeps people apart. Rather, people should seek to reach past their own differences and find what it is they share in common. Diversity exists everywhere. It is not something to be had; rather people should seek what they have in common.

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- I'm really enjoyed looking at the yearbook. Maybe next year we will get two yearbooks.
- Having a picnic right after the entire campus was fertilized was a fantasic idea.
- Brent Matthias' imitation of an airplane at the Golden Knight Awards was awesome.
- Congratulations and good luck seniors.



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Wartburg's print shop to close doors

By ERICA JUDISCH Staff Writer

On June 30, Wartburg's Print Shop, located in the basement of the student union, will permanently stop the presses. After more than forty years, the Print Shop is closing.

The decision reflects a shift from the Print Shop to the Copy Center, which opened this year next to the Information Desk. An advantage of using the Copy Center is its more visible location.

"Some of the things we've been doing in the print shop we feel we can handle in the copy center," Dr. Lex Smith, vice president of student life and dean of students, said.

The Print Shop handles two-color projects such as programs, office forms, some books, phone directories, student planners, and brochures. Closing the Print Shop means finding new ways to print these

"Some of the stuff might be done in the copy center, otherwise it will be outsourced," Ron Peterson, director of printing, copying and mail services, said. "Right now we're having some meetings between communications and marketing, ITS and myself as to where we're going to go."

For projects that required more than two colors, the college was already outsourcing the printing jobs. The increasing use of digital technology in the printing industry is also a factor in the decision. Staying current with printing technology would be expensive.

'We didn't see that we would invest major new resources in the Print Shop," Smith said. "We thought the Copy Center could service most of the campus' needs."

In response to the change, the Copy Center will expand its hours and services. The copiers in the Copy Center may also be upgraded to handle the high volume jobs at a faster speed.

"It's the Copy Center we want to kind of grow and invest in," Smith said.

In addition to taking over the printing needs, the Copy Center will probably also absorb the work-study students who worked in the Print Shop. One staff position was eliminated due to the change.

"It wasn't an easy decision," Smith said. "[The Print Shop] served a very important useful function for the college over the

The two presses used in the Print Shop will be sold. Some of the finishing equipment such as stapling machines, may be



Erin Manson/TRUMPET

COPY AWAY—Sophomore Jordan Dean makes copies in Wartburg's Copy Center. The center is poised to take over the work of the Wartburg Print Shop when it closes its doors on June 30.

retained for use by the Copy Center.

"Those pieces we don't need we'll sell," Smith said.

The college is considering placing game equipment in the existing print shop. They would like to find a use for the area that will benefit students.

"We're not going to let the space stand empty," Smith said.

The college plans to make the transition to using the Copy Center in time for the start of classes in September.

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Lightning strike damages a few campus buildings

By SAM HUEY Staff Writer

Mother nature was unkind to Wartburg's facilities over tour week, when a few of the buildings on campus were damaged because of a lightning strike.

According to physical plant director John Wuertz, the Wartburg Chapel, Lohe Hall, Grossman Hall and the Fine Arts Center were all affected by the

storm April 26.

According to Wuertz, the fire alarm system in the chapel was knocked out for four to five days, requiring security to constantly make rounds to check for fire.

"The variable frequency drive in the fan unit in the chapel was also knocked out," said Wuertz. Although this was a serious problem, it was fixed as soon as they received the needed parts.

The chapel only lost power for

about an hour, but the elevator was damaged as well, and has since been repaired. Also, the energy management system for the chapel and the Fine Arts Center was damaged.

"We are looking for upgrades in the energy management system in the Fine Arts Center and the chapel because some parts are no longer available," said Wuertz. He added that the heating and cooling is now restored in almost all the rooms in the two build-

Although the chapel seemed to be hit hardest by the storm, significant damage also occurred in other buildings. The phone modules in Lohe Hall's religion offices were damaged as well as nine heat pump controls in Grossman Hall, all of which have since been repaired. Wuertz added that Wartburg has lightning arrestors and surge protectors to prevent this type of damage, but there is only so much they can do.

"This is the worst [lightning strike] since Clinton Hall's chimney was hit and split in the early '80s," added Wuertz. Although the college is still unsure of the cost of the damage caused, they have started to get some early estimates.

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SELF-DEFENSE—Sophomore Sonci Kingery (right) learns the bow staff from instructor Robbie Cunningham during Wartburg Karate Club's Wednesday evening in the PEC at 8:15 p.m. The Karate Club meets Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:15-9 p.m. during May Term, and is open to all members of campus.

Campus set for summer improvements

By SNEHA PRADHAN Staff Writer

The college will be grooming itself this summer, including implementing new recycling containers, updating classrooms and renovating monuments on campus.

Rooms 116 and 217 of WBC will have floor recarpeted and the old chairs will be replaced.

There will be two recycling containers placed near each garbage disposal behind the housing areas, in five different locations on campus including the Complex, Waverly Manor, Afton Manor, Knights Village, Founders and Clinton. This effort of the Recycling Sub-Committee of Student Senate and maintenance will have separate bins for plastic, glass and paper, excluding cardboard and

"It is always beneficial to have summer improvements, especially when the improvements were submitted by the students," Amanda Pullin,

administrative ombudsperson, said. "Each year the maintenance crew works hard to make sure improvements are up to par for students in the

The water fountain located between WBC and the Saemann Student Center will receive a renovation, complete with a similar polished style and

Basketball lovers will have a brand new net to play ball at the basketball court behind the Manors. The Clinton Hall lounge will be furnished with new chairs.

"Remodeling the dorms will be more appealing to students and hopefully it will help them have a better college experience," Scott Sharar, assistant director of Wartburg physical plant, said.

The physical growth of Wartburg is not just an addition to a pretty picture but is more of an effort to better facilitate the students with a favorable college environment.

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Diversity resolution fails, causes disappointment

By NATHAN COUNTRYMAN News Editor

On April 14, students got the chance to vote on Resolution 55. It needed a 2/3 majority of students voting, and missed that mark.

"I was disappointed that the resolution didn't pass," student senator junior Kate Hunt, said. "However, it made me want to continue my efforts in working with diversity issues on campus, as well as to formally define the executive assistant for diversity position with next year's

"I think we need to keep diversity in mind," said student senator junior Emily Barnd. "The diversity issue is pertinent and important to students of Wartburg, and we will continue to work with it."

As for an actual decision from Senate, they said that there is no real plan with diversity issues on the forefront of next year's Senate, and that they'll carry on like they did this year.

"I wasn't surprised the position didn't pass, just disappointed," said student senator junior Alek Wipperman.

"The only difference Del (Doherty) said came up for next year was to educate the campus on diversity issues and make information pertaining to diversity more readily available to students," said administrative ombudsperson, junior Amanda Pullin.

"I'm sure it (the diversity ombudsperson) will be brought up again," said Student Senate treasurer sophomore Justin Harken.

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What are you doing this summer?



Sayumi Abe, junior "I'm going to Denver for my internship at the Denver Center of Performing Arts."

Brandon Newton, senior "I'm backpacking Europe, then mountain biking Denver and the surrounding area before I go to Wartburg Seminary July 25."



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Lydia Posselt, sophomore "I'm going to be working at Pine Lake Camp in Wisconsin."

Alek Wipperman, junior "I'm going to work on campus. I usually work for maintenance."





Erin Evans, sophomore
"I'm going to be working at Ingham
Camp in Okoboji."

Staff retirements approach

By TARA LEWIN

Assistant Features Editor

Twenty-nine years ago, Betty Nelson was hired as a Wartburg baker at a time when only one entrée was offered at each meal instead of the current seven. She now plans to retire at the end of this week, but she will leave with many memories from her co-workers and students who have crossed her path.

"I will miss the people here at Wartburg the most," Nelson said. "I enjoyed working with my co-workers and the students each and every year. I will certainly have to come back for coffee once in a while."

Nelson decided to retire this year because her grandchildren are moving back home, and she would love to spend more time with them. In retirement, she would also like to spend some time doing things for herself as well as some volunteer work.

"I've been here 29 years, and it is time for me to go," Nelson said. "My body says it's time to do something else."

Nelson is one of four members of the dining services staff that is retiring at the end of May Term. Jeanette Ulrichs, den supervisor, has been employed by Wartburg since 1981. Don Juhl began his career as a supervising chef in food services before being promoted to assistant director after one year. Juhl will retire at the end of the summer as director of dining services after 39 years of

hard work

Karen Funk, who took over the position of Student Center and Conference Coordinator last year after Don Juhl retired from that position, will also be retiring at the end of the summer.

"I am retiring to spend time with my family and husband," Funk said.

After retirement, Funk plans to spend time volunteering and enjoying the time for herself. She has experienced the same changes in serving hours, entrée options, meal transfers and points programs as Nelson and Juhl have

Funk has had positive experiences working with students, faculty, staff and outside groups.

"I will miss working with the students, faculty and staff the most," Funk said. "They make my job worth it."

Also retiring are Sandra Bergman, office assistant in the bookstore, who has been employed by Wartburg from 1966-1970, and again from 1979-2005, Dr. Donald King, professor of biology, who has been employed since 1979, and Carol Koeneman, assistant director of alumni and parent programs/music tour director, who has been employed since 1999.

These seven faculty and staff members were honored in a Faculty/Staff Recognition Convocation on Thursday, April 14.

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2005 Commencement Weekend Events

Senior Art Exhibit—9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday, May 26, through Sunday, May 29, Schmidt Art Gallery, Bachmann Fine Arts Center.

Senior Recital—2 p.m. Saturday, May 28, Wartburg Chapel.

Service of Thanksgiving and Blessing— 5 p.m. Saturday, May 28, Wartburg Chapel.

May Term Band Concert—6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 28, South Campus Mall

(rain location: Neumann Auditorium).

Baccalaureate—10 a.m. Sunday, May 29,
Neumann Auditorium

Pre-Commencement Band Concert—1 p.m. Sunday, May 29, Walston-Hoover Stadium (rain location: Knights Gymnasium).

Commencement—1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 29, Walston-Hoover Stadium (rain location: Knights Gymnasium).



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COMPLETE EXIT CONFERENCES

May graduates should note that to receive their diplomas at graduation, their student accounts must be paid in full and Stafford and Perkins loan exit conferences completed. Check with the Controller's Office concerning Perkins exit conferences and Kim Diercks in the Financial Aid office for Stafford exit conferences.

IOWA PRIVATE COLLEGE WEEK

The Admissions Office seeks students to help during lowa Private College Week, August 1-5. Students will be paid \$250 and receive free housing and two meals a day for the week. Stop by the Admissions Office for an application. Contact Tara Price with questions by emailing tara.price@wartburg.edu or by calling Ext.

8:55 a.m., Schmidt house, vandalism. While opening the Manors, Campus Security discovered someone had broken the window on one of the building's entrance doors.

April 11
3:45 p.m., N Lot, vandalism. Student reported his windshield cracked and believed it was damaged while parked in N lot. Investigation revealed that the damage could have occurred by a frisbee golf disk. There were no witnesses and no one has come forward to admit to damaging the car.

10 a.m., Post Office, vandalism. Post office reported two mailboxes broken. Investigation revealed the locks were pushed in enough to break away from the mailbox door. One mailbox was unassigned. The student assigned to the other box admitted to breaking his combination, but stated he just pushed it too hard.

April 18
1:20 p.m., PEC, theft. Report of theft from locker in PEC. Reported stolen was a billfold. A check of trash cans did not result in any recovery. No witnesses and no evidence. Investigation continues by Waverly Police and security.

April 21
10:20 a.m., Residence, fire alarm. Fire alarm originating from first floor, North Hall. Alarm reset and no obvious sign of why it activated. No fire

April 22 11:30 a.m., Clinton Loading Zone, hit and run. Report of car striking a car parked in the Clinton Loading Zone. No witnesses. Damage v

10 p.m., D-lot, theft. Student reported that his vehicle was broken into between April 21 and April 23 at 9:45 p.m. Student states that items worth over \$1,400 taken. Investigation continues by Waverly Police.

11 p.m., Hebron, underage alcohol. RA requested security assistance with room with underage drinking. Identified four students and one non-student who had been drinking. Action transferred to Student Life,

8:14 p.m., D-lot, vandalism. Students reported observing a car with window broken in D lot. Several hours later, a second car in D lot was observed with a broken window. Investigation revealed first car's window was broken accidentally. The second car appears to be the victim of criminal activity. Investigation continues by Campus Security.

7:30 a.m., Clinton, vandalism. RA notified Campus Security that someone had broken the card reader from the wall of the Clinton North door.

1:15 a.m, Clinton, fire alarm. Instant Assistant notified Campus Security of a fire alarm in Clinton. Investigation revealed that person(s) unknown set off firecrackers on second floor north end of building. No fire. Investigation continues by Campus Security.

2 a.m., Old Main, fireworks. Campus Security observed two individuals setting off fireworks outside Old Main. They began running when told to stop. With the help of the police, one was stopped, who gave the identity of the other. Action turned over to Student Life.

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NEWS MAY 16, 2005 5 Senior artwork on display

By CHRISSY BERLIN Editor-in-Chief

The Waldemar A. Schmidt Gallery will be the home for the annual senior art show May 2 to May 29. The free exhibit is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The 14 seniors will host a closing reception 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. May 28 in the gallery.

The art capstone, Seminar in Art, creates an art show each year. This year's title, "The End is Where We Start From," was chosen by seniors Lexie Jansonius and Kelsey Harrison as part of their final project of designing the flyer.

Each senior has a variety of pieces on display. Various media include printmaking, painting, sculpture, graphic design, drawing and a few other forms. Each student also has one piece displayed in Luther Hall's

The seniors bring in pieces they have worked on during their college careers to decide what pieces should go into the exhibit. Additionally, they have to create a final work for the show. "The hardest part of putting the show together was deciding what I wanted to put in. That and getting all of us coordinated to decide where everything was going to go after we had everything framed and ready to



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SENIOR ADMIRATION—Freshman Nikki Gamble admires the artwork at the senior art exhibit in the Waldemar A. Schmidt Art Gallery in the Fine Arts Center. The artwork will be on display until May 28.

go" senior Kellie Kelck said.

Getting experience and exposure from the show has benefited the artists, senior Andy Thompson said. Senior Ashley Miller agrees and added that "it is nice to hear comments from people who have looked

at your work and know that it is appreciated on campus."

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Mensa, Den flooded by backup in sewage

By ALAN SIMMER Staff Writer

Water woes continued for Wartburg when water suddenly backed up through a drain in the Mensa on Friday, May 6.

The area next to the cereal dispensers in the cafeteria became flooded with "about 100 gallons of water, a hundred plus" according to Food

Service manager Jan Hyde.

"There were about eight of us trying to clean it up," Student Center and conference coordinator Karen Funk said. "I went up because I knew they needed help."

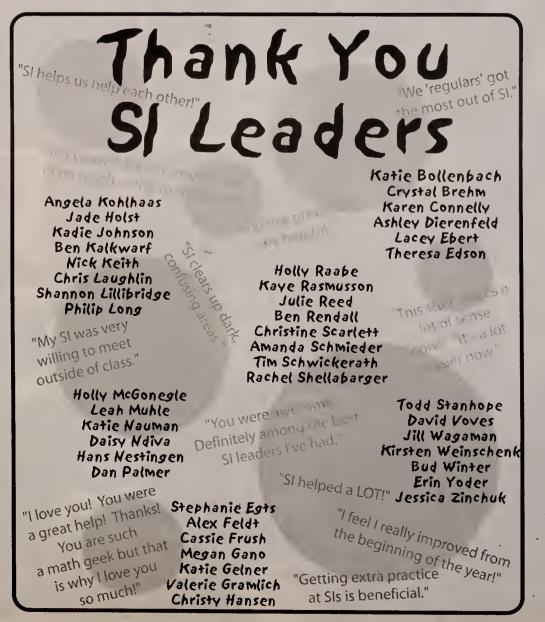
The incident happened at about 8:40 a.m. "when we're the busiest,"

Some of the water seeped through the Mensa floor into the ceiling of the

Den, dripping through the tiles in part of the dining area. This event is directly related to a similar occurrence a few months ago, when the water leaked through the ceiling into the bookstore.

"It all backs up through the sewer lines. It's going to happen once in a while," Hyde said.

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Student, alum compete to be Miss Iowa

By NATHAN COUNTRYMAN News Editor

A total of twenty Iowans are in the running for the title of Miss Iowa June 9 to 11 in the Quad Cities. That amounts to a one-intwenty chance that a competitor will be chosen to be Miss Iowa. Wartburg College has a two-intwenty chance that they will have a current student or alumni named Miss Iowa.

Junior Laura Fog and alumna Michelle Swieter are two of the 20 competitors vying for the title of Miss Iowa. This is Fog's first time running for the title of Miss Iowa, but the second time for Swieter, who placed as first runner-up in last year's Miss Iowa competition. Swieter said that "the pressure is on this year," since this will be the last time she can compete for a chance to appear on the Miss America stage next September. She will be over 24, and surpass the age limit of competing in the Miss America program. She is hoping to be discovered on the Miss America stage, as several other people have, because her ultimate goal in life is to be a professional singer.

According to the Miss Iowa Web site, contestants in the Miss Iowa program must be between the ages of 17 and 24, be a United

States citizen, meet residency requirements for competing in a certain town, be in reasonably good health to meet the job requirements and be able to meet the time commitment and job responsibilities as set forth by the respective local program.

In order to participate in the competition, Swieter and Fog had to win preliminary pageants. Fog won a pageant in Kossuth-Winnebago counties, making her Miss Kossuth-Winnebago, and Swieter won the title of Miss Johnson County.

Swieter noted that there is less competition in Iowa for a chance at being Miss Iowa and advancing to the Miss America pageant than there is in other states.

According to Swieter, compared to other states that have close to one person from every county at the state competition, Iowa only has twenty spots open, and "really struggles to get contestants." If a county in Iowa holds a preliminary qualifying round, it is open to anyone who wants to compete, not just county residents, since there are so few preliminaries held in Iowa.

"Iowa is the least competitive state for the Miss America system," Swieter said.

"I think competing in the Miss Iowa competition is a rewarding



Kate Hunt/TRUMPET

ALREADY WEARING THE TIARAS—Alumna Michelle Swieter and junior Laura Fog wear their winning crowns and smiles. Both will be competing for the title of Miss Iowa in June.

thing to do," Fog said. "You learn who you are, what you want to do, and gain confidence and become more comfortable with yourself."

According to the Miss Iowa Web site, competitions judge participants in four different cate-

gories: interview (40 percent), talent (30 percent), swimsuit (ten percent), and evening wear (ten percent). The final ten percent is based on overall quality. Also, competitors must answer one platform question and one general question.

The platform is an essential portion of the competition, because it showcases what a competitor believes is an important issue that society needs to work to improve.

Fog's platform is to keep music in public schools. Fog said that this is a major issue in the United States because so many times the music programs are cut. These programs are "essential for making well-rounded students," because it actually has been proven that students with musical backgrounds do better in the classroom.

platform Swieter's Promoting Children's Literacy: Kick Back and Read! She has promoted her campaign nationwide, including visits to New York City and Washington, D.C.

"These are important because the competition is focused on finding well-rounded people, not just on beauty anymore," said Fog. "Competitors need to be comfortable talking to others

about issues."

Swieter also pointed out that the Miss America organization is the leading scholarship organization for women in the United States, and that in competing she has received \$10,000 in scholar-

Besides competing for a chance to be Miss Iowa, along with the commitments that requires, both Fog and Swieter keep busy. Fog is involved in the music department on campus, and besides her work there likes to spend time water skiing, wakeboarding and backpacking in mountains, especially during the summer. Swieter has been honored with President Bush's Volunteer Service Award, an award for over 5,000 hours of service. She has previously auditioned for American Idol, spent a large amount of time traveling and is a reading tutor. Currently, her paying job is as a youth specialist at Bremwood Lutheran Children's Home in Waverly.

For more information, visit the Miss Iowa Web site at http://www.missiowa.com.

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Kate Hunt/TRUMPET

DIGGING IN— Freshman Tom Ehlers eats as many pies as he can during the Food Olympics May 5. The event took place on the campus mall during the all-campus picnic. Competition in all of the activites, including the greased watermelon race, orange pass, dolley race and condiment slide, was fierce. Students and staff members alike fought to win. First prize, a gift certificate to Wal-Mart, was hidden in a pool of breakfast food.

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STAR WARS **EPISODE III:** REVENGE OF THE SITH



Release Date: May 19th

If you haven't seen them, then you have surely heard about them: the legendary, the epic, the way too commercially marketed "Star Wars" series. From young Obi-Wan to old Anakin, in this final installment of the saga George Lucas looks to bring a close to the unanswered questions: how did Anakin become Darth Vader? Why does Yoga go to Dagobah? Who kills Mace Windu? With the numerous let-downs associated with Episodes I and II, I see a lot of promise in "Sith" and I especially like the fact that it is rated PG-13 due to the film's "dark" values. I'm hoping George Lucas proves he can direct "faster and more intense.

Release Date: June 29th

Forget the Reese's Pieces, Steven Spielberg is finally bringing us some aliens who are ready to destroy anything. In this adaptation of Jules Verne's sci-fi classic, a Newark dock worker has to save his family from the aliens that are attacking the Earth. Tom Cruise, Dakota Fanning and Tim Robbins try to escape the alien invasion in this non stop action flick. Look for lots of explosions, weird creatures and chaos when the aliens land and attempt to take over New Jersey. Tom Cruise will shine, but look out for young Dakota Fanning, who I must say I have become a fan of; she might steal the spotlight as Cruise's scared daughter. This is a "must-see"!

WAR OF THE Worlds



Release Date: May 27th

Not your typical college comedy, this DreamWorks production has the potential to entertain people of all ages. Voiced by an all-star cast featuring Ben Stiller, Chris Rock, David Schwimmer and Jada Pinkett-Smith, this group of animals escapes from the New York zoo and is loose in the city, but after their city romp goes awry they are shipped off to Madagascar. Being very different from the zoo, the island forces the animals to rediscover their wild sides. With a supporting comedic animal cast, including a pack of commando penguins and a humorous lemur (voiced by rapper Ali G), I think DreamWorks will deliver after somewhat of a let-down in their last CG flick, "Shark Tale."

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THE FANTASTIC Four



Release Date: July 8th

"The Fantastic Four" is the first of the big action films opening in July. The comic-based movie features four scientists who mutate into superheroes and save the world from Doctor Doom. "Horatio Hornblower" himself, loan Gruffudd, and "Dark Angel" Jessica Alba star as Mr. Fantastic and the Invisible Woman. One gripe: in photos, Michael Chiklis looks ridiculous in his costume as The Thing; let's hope that it translates to film better than to still photography. It just wouldn't be summer without a blockbuster superhero film (or two, with "Batman Begins"), but it remains to be seen whether F4 will go the way of "Spider-man" or "Hulk."

THE LONGEST YARD

Release Date: May 27th

Adam Sandler is back to funny business once again. Sandler comedy, but "Longest Yard" will knock him back into the genre with force.

This remake of the 1974 classic has Sandler as pro quarterback Paul Crewe, who is doing time in prison. While in prison Crewe is told to put together a team of inmates to take on the prison guards. Chris Rock plays the inmates' coach. Also returning to the film is the great Burt Reynolds. This movie will deliver side-splitting laughs and will feature great cameos, such as Stone Cold Steve Austin and Bill Goldberg, who are pitted against one another as opponents. It's been awhile since we've seen a

CINDERELLA MAN

Release Date: June 3rd



Howard Russell Crowe are together again. In a film set in the Depression, Crowe plays Jim Braddock, a retired boxer who is trying to support his family. He gets a break and makes his return to the ring. Before long Braddock is facing the champion, Max Bauer, and along the way inspiring the country. This film also stars Oscar-winning actress Renee Zellweger and the actor passed up by the Oscar committee for "Sideways," Paul Giamatti. It is very rare to see an Oscar-worthy film in the summer but I have a feeling "Cinderella" will knock out competitors and thoroughly impress audi-

Mr. & Mrs. SMITH

Release Date: June 10th



Brad Pitt and Angelina

Iolie are up to no good as assassins who are hired to kill....each other! Jolie and Pitt are husband and wife but both share the same secret: they are both assassins. The trick, however, is they don't know each other's secret life. High action and hot sex appeal, throw in some comedic relief through actor Vince Vaughn and you've got yourself a nice thrill-ride. Not much about the plot has been revealed and an MPAA rating hasn't even been placed but with direc-Liman Doug "Bourne ("Swingers," ldentity") at the helm, this film has great potential.

CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Release Date: July 15th

Remakes and action are the two dominant themes among the mainstream movies opening this July. Probably the most anticipated remake is "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory." As if the 1971 "Willy Wonka" wasn't weird enough, this incarnation promises to be even freakier with masters of the bizarre Johnny Depp (as Willy Wonka) and director Tim Burton pairing up for their fourth film together. The script apparently sticks more closely to the book by Roald Dahl and to Dahl's whimsical spirit than the first film did. Fans of the book should enjoy that. For everyone else, if the Burton/Depp track record for films is any indication, "Charlie" will be another worthwhile piece of film.

BATMAN BEGINS

Release Date: June 15th



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Director Christopher Nolan wanted to take a oletely different spin on Bruce Wayne/Batman as a character, focusing more on Bruce Wayne and how he makes the transition to becoming Batman. The film's plot has Wayne traveling the world, learning all the skills he needs to become Batman and strike fear in those who prey on the weak. Why should you see this movie? This is an entirely different Batman story, the first to focus less on the villains (Scarecrow and Ra's Ah Guhl) and more on the man beneath the Batsuit. Christian Bale will shine as the Dark Knight, bringing more of an edge to Bruce Wayne.

THE BROTHERS GRIMM

Release Date: July 29th



Closing out the month of July is a long-delayed film starring Matt Damon and Heath Ledger, "The Brothers Grimm." Damon and Ledger play two lessthan-honest brothers, those compilers of fairy tales Jake and Will Grimm, who get wrapped up in a real-life curse involving an evil sorceress. Director Terry Gilliam (of "Monty Python" fame) always keeps it interesting, as shown by his "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" and "Brazil," so this one should be worth a look.

THE DUKES OF HAZZARD

Release Date: August 5th



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Based on the cult TV show, this interesting flick might be worth a look. The director was a member of the group Broken Lizard, which was responsible for the comedy "Super Troopers." It seems to have the correct type of casting, especially since the actors, Johnny Knoxville and Seann William Scott, have good experience for playing the types of characters "Dukes" is likely to represent. It might be worth while checking this movie out, even if you weren't a fan of the TV series.

RED EYE

Release Date: August 19th



Photo courtesy of movies.obout.co

A thriller by horror film director Wes Craven, set in an airplane 30,000 feet in the air? Very interesting concept, but it feels like it's all been done before. Still, Wes Craven does know a thing or two about directing horror and suspense movies, so this one isn't likely to crash into the ground (pun intended) or leave fans without some surprising twists along the way. A good suspense flick to help wrap up the summer movie season, and possibly one of the only interesting ones to be released as of late.

Reviews by: A.J. Hodgeman, Leslee Hilleman and Nathan Countryman

Miller adds to accomplishments

By MATT POPOWSKI Staff Writer

Jim Miller, Wartburg College wrestling coach, was inducted into the Glen Brand Wrestling Hall of Fame of lowa at the International Wrestling Institute and Museum in Newton on Saturday, April 23.

"I consider it a great reward when I see my former high school coach, Dave Natig, and the great Chris Taylor on the list," Miller

The ceremony included introductions of the inductees, acceptance speech and a reception.

As one of nine inductees, Miller is part of only the fourth class to be recognized in the hall of fame.

"This hall of fame speaks a lot about people who have made an impact on the sport from the state of Iowa," Miller said.

Being exposed to wrestling at an early age through watching his older brothers wrestle in junior high piqued his interest in the sport.

Miller joined the East Waterloo High School wrestling team at a mere 119 pounds. Luckily for him, Waterloo was like the Mecca of wrestling, so he enjoyed a level of some importance from his involvement with the wrestling

team that he could not have achieved in basketball or football with his small size.

He finished in third place at the Iowa High School State Tournament his senior year and was inducted into the East Waterloo High School Hall of

Miller went on to win two national Division II championship titles at 134 pounds and became a two-time All-American in Division I during his college career at the University of Northern Iowa, leading him to gain spots in the UNI Athletic Hall of Fame and the NCAA Division II Hall of Fame. He has also been inducted into the Iowa Wrestling Hall of Fame.

Miller credits his successes to his family and his great coaches.

Having coached at Wartburg College for 14 years, Miller looks back and never imagined moving here from UNI. He recognizes Wartburg College as an institution where students can get a great education and achieve his or her dream in athletics.

"Student athletes come here because they know they're going to be challenged," Miller said. "They have a chance to be a champion and be on a championship team."

Miller's teams have compiled



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GUIDING THE WAY—Coach Jim Miller and assistant coach Eric Keller watch at the National Wrestling meet this year. Wartburg finished in the top two of the nation for the 11th time in the past 13 years. Miller attributes the program's success to a great coaching staff.

a 250-29-1 dual meet record, won 13 lowa Conference championships and placed first or second in the nation 11 of the past 13 years. He attributes the program's success to the environment at Wartburg, which includes a great coaching staff.

"I have to admit, from time to time, when we're standing for the national anthem and I look up and see those banners in Knights

Gymnasium denoting our national and conference success, it sends a shiver up my spine,"

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Athletes "golden" at award ceremony



Photo Courtesy of Sports Information FOURTH TIMES A CHARM-Senior Missy Buttry won her fourth straight female athlete of the year.

By AARON HAGEN Sports Editor

The sixth annual Golden Knight Awards showcased the best of the best in the athletic world at Wartburg College. With the student body voting on the awards, the students spoke, and the athletes in the various categories were awarded with the great honors. Four other awards were given at the awards ceremony. The additional awards were voted on by the coaching staff, the faculty and the athletic committee.

Senior Alan Johnson and senior Missy Buttry were awarded the Hertel Award for the top male and female twosport athletes. Johnson finished fourth in the lowa Conference golf meet and was a starter on the basketball team, while Buttry was a track and cross country standout.

Senior football and tennis athlete Mark Giesmann and senior volleyball star Sarah Olsen were awarded the Voecks and Chellevold Awards as the top senior student-athletes.

Buttry continued her success for the night, as she won female athlete of the year for the fourth consecutive year, and also shared the performance of the year with fellow senior Josh Moen for their NCAA cross country championships. Buttry was also awarded the Lifetime Knight award for her success over the past four years.

Freshman of the year honors went to two-sport standout Ashley Rogers. Rogers was named AVCA Central Region freshman of the year in volleyball and was named second-team all-conference for softball. Breakthrough athlete of the year was awarded to Bridget Burns. Burns was national champion in the 400 meters at the indoor track meet last March.

Men's soccer won team of the year, while Jim Conlon was named coach of the year. Conlon and the soccer team went as far as any team went before, making it to the elite

Junior basketball player Jason Steege won the award for the play of the year with his three-point play to win over Coe.

Male athlete of the year went to junior Dustin Hinschberger, who won a national championship at 141 pounds for the Knights.

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TWO-TIMING IT—Johnson won the Elmer Hertel. Award for the top male two-sport athlete. He finished fourth in the IIAC men's golf tournament and was a senior leader on the men's basketball team.

Freshman of the Year - Ashley Rogers Performance of the Year - Josh Moen and Missy Buttry Breakthrough Athlete of the Year -Bridget Burns

Coach of the Year-Jim Conlon Play of the Year - Jason Steege Team of the Year - Men's Soccer Male Athlete of the Year - Dustin Hinschberger

Female Athlete of the Year - Missy Buttry Lifetime Knight Award - Missy Buttry

Tracksters shine at conference

By ANDREW DRYSDALE Staff Writer

The Wartburg women's track team made it six in a row this weekend, taking the conference championship back to Waverly with 224 points. Loras College hosted the meet and their men's team took advantage of the home field, claiming the outright title with 193. The Wartburg men battled down to the wire, coming from behind and tying Central College for second place with 162 points.

The Knights swept the conference athlete of the meet awards as senior Missy Buttry took home the women's award after winning her fourth conference titles in the 800m, 1500m and 5000m runs. Junior Josh Hauser won the men's award after placing second in the long jump, winning the 200m and 400m and anchoring the 4x400m to victory to tie Central overall. Head coach Marcus Newsom was named coach of the year for the sixth time as well.

Buttry held off freshman teammate Heidi Porter in the finals of the 800m, running 2:15.68 while Porter ran 2:17.50 for second. Porter did run a provisional qualifying time in the prelims with a 2:13.60. Sophomore Molly Ubben finished fourth in the 800 meters with a time of 2:21.19. Buttry and Porter also went one, two in the 1500 meters with Buttry clocking 4:32.37 and Porter running 4:44.49. Buttry's 16:17.31 in the 5000 meters outdistanced the second-place runner, Natalie Retrum of Luther, by over a minute. Sophomore Jill Wagaman finished fifth in the 1500 with a time of 4:51.55. Freshman Jessica Viner placed second in the 10,000 meter run with a time of 40:10.44 for Wartburg.

Sophomore Bridget Burns, the defending national indoor 400m champion, won the 400 in 56.50 and helped the 4x400 win with sophomore Amy Koester, senior Kelli Marlow and sophomore Steph Arey. Burns also placed second in the 200 meters with a time of 25.06. Sophomore Lucy Joseph won the 100m hurdles in a 14.74 and Arey won the 400m hurdles in 64.23. Joseph also placed fifth in the 100 meter dash in a time of 12.77, and finished fifth in the 200 meter dash with a time of 25.94. Arey finished third in the 400 with a time of 58.83, while Koester took fifth in the same event with a time of 59.43. Senior Lindsay Albertsen took third in the pole vault and made a provisional mark with a vault of 11 feet and freshman Jessica Bates took second in the shot put with a throw of 43-03.25 feet.

Hauser and senior Josh Moen led the men's team with three and two titles respectively. Hauser won the 200 in a time of 21.67 and the 400 in 47.91 and also anchored the 4x400 with junior Lucas Lenhart, sophomore Scott



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TAKE OFF—Sophomore Pedro Salazar takes off to start his leg of a relay in a recent track meet hosted by Wartburg College. The Wartburg men finished tied for second in the lowa Conference meet.

Tjeerdsma and freshman Brian Schmidt to a 3:18.36. He also placed second in the long jump with a 22-11.75. Moen won both the 5000 and the 10,000, crossing the line in 14:54.22 and 31:46.80 uncontested. Junior Noah Wendland finished fourth in the 800 with a time of 1.56.34. Sophomore Patrick Johnson won the 3000m steeplechase, starting with the pack and charging late to cross the line in 9:46.23. Senior Tyler Ketelsen won the javelin with a throw of 180-02 after having missed the entire regular season with an arm injury.

Wartburg finished two, three and four in the 1500 meter run. Junior Keith Solverson finished second with a time of 4:02.31, while sophomore Kevin Balster finished third with a time of 4:03.25. Freshman Andy Hodge finished fourth in 4:05.44. Balster also placed fourth in the 5000 with a time

of 15:40.43, and Solverson finished fifth in the 5000 with a time of 15:42.81.

The Knights now return home to defend their turf at the national meet hosted by Wartburg College May 26 to 28. Before the track team will have an opportunity to show the nation what it can do on its home turf, Wartburg will compete in two other meets. Those with provisional qualifying marks, or who are just short of qualifying, will compete in a last-chance meet the weekend before at the Augie Qualifier in Rock Island, Ill. and at the North Central College of Illinois. Tuesday the Wartburg track and field team will compete at the Central Qualifier at Pella.

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Men's golf wraps up second place



Photo Courtesy of Sports Information

EASY DOES IT—Sophomore Blake Halvorsen chips from off the green at the Wartburg Invite. Halvorsen shot a 151 as Wartburg finished second.

By AARON HAGEN
Sports Editor

Every team has a rival, a nemesis, a team that just won't go away. For this year's Wartburg men's golf team, there was not one rival, but rather the combination of Loras College and Central College.

It was these two programs that extinguished Wartburg's chances of repeating as conference champions, as well as their hopes of a national meet selection. Loras finished first in the conference meet to win the lowa Conference, but rival Central was selected to compete in the national meet ahead of the Knights.

Wartburg's lowest round of the conference meet came on the first day, as they fired a 291 at Gates Park Golf Course in Waterloo. The scores for the Knights increased each day as they carded a 306 the second day, and ended with a 309 and 311 at Finkbine Golf Club in lowa City. Their total score of 1217 placed them second, 11 strokes behind conference champion Loras.

Senior Alan Johnson, who was named all-conference, start-

ed off hot, shooting a 72 in the opening round. He finished with a 301 for the tournament to finish fourth. Junior Kevin Ault, who was named to the all-conference team for the third straight year, ended in fifth place with a 304. Sophomores Andrew Miller and Blake Halvorsen finished in 12th with a 309, and 14th with a 310, respectively. Junior Ryan Kinseth fired a 313 to tie for 17th.

"I think we were pretty disappointed because we expect a lot out of ourselves and each other. We didn't play even close to our expectations," Ault said.

"Golf is a funny game; we beat Loras every time this season except at the conference meet. It was a very successful year, but I think we were all a little disappointed in how it ended," head coach Oliver Drake said.

While there is no conference championship or national invitation for this year's squad, the future looks promising after finishing in the top two of the conference for the second straight year. With only Johnson graduating off this year's varsity squad, Ault and Kinseth look to lead the team next year. The juniors from Fort Dodge have been

solid contributors this year, with Ault being named to the all-Central Region Team, and Kinseth providing low scores after transferring from lowa Central. Sophomores Halvorsen and Miller also return and will try to build on this year's success to attempt to put another trophy in the case.

"I'm excited about next year. Any time you return four of your top five guys back, that's exciting. Obviously we lose a great senior and a great leader in Alan Johnson, but I'm excited about the guys that we have coming back," Drake said.

"I am really excited. We lose Alan, which is a big part of our team and we will be looking for someone to step up and help fill his shoes, which are pretty big. Next year we expect a lot, but the future of this golf team looks very good," Ault said.

Although next year seems promising for the Knights, Ault sums it up best.

"It's golf; you never know what's going to happen."

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Softball team wins 30, again



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

CLOSE PLAY—Sophomore Stephanie Howe tags out a Coe runner attempting to slide into second base. Howe was one of three named to the first team all-lowa Conference after hitting .444 on the season.

By AARON HAGEN Sports Editor

Coming off two straight 30-win seasons, the Wartburg softball team was poised to make it three years in a row, and that is exactly what it did this year. With a record of 31-8 overall and 13-3 record in the conference, the Knights solidified their third straight and fourth of the last five years of winning more than 30 games.

Wartburg started out the regular season with a 13-game winning streak, which was ended midway through March. The Knights went through a rocky time over the next few games, compiling a 10-8 record after the winning streak. Wartburg would win its last eight games, but it would be too little, too late as Coe had already wrapped up the conference title.

"We played well down the stretch,

which was exciting and promising to see," head coach Kara Kehe said. "I felt like we experienced a lot of growth this year. It was a very exciting, fun group of people to work with, so I feel really good about the experience we had together.'

Coach Kehe attributes this team's success to a balanced attack and unselfish

"What I thought was really special about this team was that it was just a great group of people who had fun together. It was a group of people that came together for some common goals, and for everybody to put their individual agendas aside and come together as a team was really a great experience for everybody," coach Kehe said. While the members of the team may concentrate on team goals, the all-Iowa Conference team recognized a few of the individuals on the team. Wartburg was

rewarded for its solid play this year with six selections on the Iowa Conference team. The three first-team selections and the three second-team selections marked the second-highest number for Wartburg

Leading the way for the first-team selections was junior pitcher Jackie Sorensen. She compiled a 21-4 record, and had a minuscule earned run average of 1.17, while striking out 119 on the season. Her 21 wins and 119 strikeouts placed her second on the all-time single season record at Wartburg. Sophomore Stephanie Howe and freshman Ashley Steines were also named to the first team. Howe led the league with her 56 hits and finished with a .444 average. Steines hit .398 on the season and led the team in stolen bases with 14.

Junior Ranae Vomacka led the way for second team selections. She hit .270 on the season and threw out six of 19 base stealers from her catching position. Freshmen Ashley Rogers and Mandy Kakac were both named to the second team. Rogers led the league with five triples while Kakac hit 377 on the season.

Although head coach Kara Kehe admits the conference is always tough, expectations are high. With all six players returning next year, and with only three players graduating off this year's squad, a fourth year of 30-plus wins is very obtainable.

"I think the conference is always going to be tough, but we are a very motivated group to think about the future and where we want to be at the end of the year," coach Kehe commented.

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Tennis has record year; finishes fourth

By CHRISSY BERLIN

Editor-in-Chief

The men's tennis team finished strong with a winning season with a 13-12 overall dual record and an 8-4 conference record. This marked the most dual victories for the team since 1989. The team headed into the conference meet seeded fifth and finished fourth behind Coe, Luther and Central, respectively. This year's finish was the team's highest in the conference since 1998.

Senior Mark Giesmann, no. 1 singles player, "had a huge win for us in beating Simpson," coach Jim Willis said. This is the first time Wartburg has upset Simpson in four years. Seniors Blake Flores and Vedran Solaja added to the solid finish when they reached quarterfinals in A doubles. Junior Nick Wuertz and freshman Mitch Coffman finished third in B and C singles, respectively. Senior Matt Connell finished fourth in B singles.

Next year, the team will lose some key members. One of the biggest losses to graduation is Giesmann, who went 11-10 on the singles season. Graduation will also take Blake Flores, who finished 15-8, and Solaja, who went 9-11

"The team has very solid outlook for the future," Willis said, "even though we will graduate three of our top six

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players. We have a couple strong newcomers and we return a solid core."

Included in that solid core is junior Nick Petaros with a 14-4 record. "He was a big difference in the team this

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Golfers prove prowess

Women's golf team places seventh at national meet after a perfect spring



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HITTING IT LONG—Junior Erin Dohlman tees off at a meet earlier
this year. Dohlman finished tied for tenth at the national meet.

By AARON HAGEN Sports Editor

The Wartburg Knights proved to the nation something that was already known in the Midwest at the NCAA Division III Championship at the Mid Pines Inn and Golf Club in Fayetteville, North Carolina last weekend. They showed that they are one of the elite women's golf programs in the country. They showed that they were the best program in the Iowa Conference in the fall, and continued to prove their dominance with three victories in the spring. Last weekend, against the best women's golf programs in Division III in the nation, the Knights held their own to finish seventh.

Wartburg started off well, firing a 338 to tie for fourth after the first round, and was just four shots out of third place. Sophomore Megan Cress led the way for the Knights with an 81, and was tied for ninth after the first 18 holes. Junior Bre Pleggenkuhle ended with an 84 to tie for 23rd after the first day. Sophomore Andrea Schiltz started with an 86

The next day proved to be just as consistent for the Knights, as they shot a 340 on day two of competition. Junior Erin Dohlman fired the second lowest round of the day, as she ended with a 74 to move from 34th overall to a tie for eighth. Junior Lindsey Huinker had the second lowest round for the Knights, as she shot an 87 for the day. Schiltz fired the only other sub-90 score, as she carded an 89.

The third round saw more of the same for the Knights. They tallied a 341 on day three to fall to sixth place, but were just four shots from taking over fifth. Pleggenkuhle was the low round for the Knights as she carded an 83. Dohlman followed up with an 85 to tie for ninth after three rounds. Cress and Huinker shot an 86 and 87 respectively.

The last day was the best for Wartburg, but they still maintained their consistency. The Knights ended with a 337, their lowest of the tournament, but finished with a 1356 overall, good enough for seventh place. Dohlman carded the low round of the day for Wartburg with a 79. Schiltz finished up with her best round of the tournament, as she fired an 81. Huinker also saved her best for last as she was the only other Knight to score under 90, with an 86.

Dohlman finished tied for 10th with a 325 for the tournament and earned All-American honors. Schiltz finished in a tie for 38th with a 346 total, while Pleggenkuhle finished tied for 44th overall with a 349. Huinker shot a 350 for the championship, and Cress ended with a 351.

While this team was the first team in Wartburg history to earn a spot in the national tournament, next year's team may be even better. With the experience of competing against the nation's best, as well as the fact that no varsity golfers will graduate, next year's team will look to not only defend the Iowa Conference title, but also work toward a National Championship.

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Team:		Individuals:		
1. Methodist College	1272	Erin Dohlman	325	tied for 10th
2. Mary-Hardin Baylor	1284	Andrea Schiltz	346	tied for 38th
3. De Pauw University	1337	Bre Pleggenkuhle	349	tied for 44th
3. Wisconsin-Eau Claire	1337	Lindsey Huinker	350	tied for 46th
5. Mount Holyoke College	1338	Megan Cress	351	tied for 49th
6. St. Mary's College	1347			
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Knights rebound after tough loss

By STEPHANIE SCHMIDT
Staff Writer

The Wartburg baseball team fought through a first-round loss to Dubuque on Thursday to claim the IIAC tournament championship, as well as an automatic berth to the postseason. The Knights had previously locked up their ninth consecutive regular season title as well.

The tournament began on an ominous note as the top-seeded Knights fell to sixth-seeded Dubuque 3-2 in 11 innings. Wartburg took an early onerun advantage, but the Spartans answered back in the fourth, taking the lead on a two-run home run.

The game stayed knotted at two until the 11th inning, when Dubuque came up with a run. The Knights tried to rally in the final inning, but came up just short on a controversial call as senior Chris Robertson was thrown out while trying to advance to third. Freshman Aaron Saeugling took the loss for the Knights in relief of junior Matt Scherbring. Scherbring went 10 innings for Wartburg, giving up two earned runs on six hits and walked three. The Knights struggled to drive in runs as they left nine runners on base.

The second round saw the Knights face second-seeded Central, who was also upset by a lower seed in the first round. Wartburg took a commanding four-run lead in the bottom of the first aided by a three-run home run by junior Brian Greiner. The Dutch tied it up at four in the third inning, but the Knights went on to score one in the fourth and five in the fifth to take the lead for good. Wartburg went on to a 12-6 victory. Senior Joel Reynolds and junior Pat Henderson also hit home runs for the Knights in the game. Junior Ryan Moorman picked up his sixth win by allowing no runs in two and two-thirds innings after relieving starter senior Charlie

Next up were the Beavers from Buena Vista. Wartburg again took an early lead on an RBI single by Greiner. The Knights added another in the fifth as Reynolds singled to score sophomore Marc Numedahl. With the scored tied late in the game, Wartburg won 4-3 in the bottom of the ninth, as Port scored on a wild pitch. Saeugling picked up the win in relief. Moorman started for the Knights, giving up two earned runs on six hits and walked four in seven and one-third innings.

Wartburg took its momentum into

an 8-4 win against Coe. After giving up an early run the Knights tied it up in the second and took the game over for good in the top of the fourth, as freshman Kyle Blacker scored on an RBI single by senior Aaron Port. They added two in the fifth, two in the sixth and one in the ninth to take the victory. Junior Tyler Archer earned his fifth win on the season by allowing four runs over eight innings. Port and Blaker both were a perfect three for three in the game for Wartburg.

The Knights faced fifth-seeded Simpson on Sunday afternoon for the championship. They defeated the Storm 9-0 to take the IIAC tournament championship. The Knights' ace Scherbring worked a solid seven and one third innings, allowing no runs on just four hits, while walking just one. Colvin finished the game, allowing no runs in the two and two thirds innings.

Wartburg, now 31-9 overall, will now wait to see who it will face in the regional tournament, as its win gave the team an automatic bid into post-season play.

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STAYING DOWN—Junior shortstop Casey Pauli makes a play on a ground ball during a recent home game. Pauli is hitting .338 on the season, and has driven in 23 runs while starting in every game.